

**TODAY and
TOMORROW**

A Free India—Key To World Peace

THE independence of India is essential to world peace.

India is self-contained and has never in her long history harboured any design upon the integrity of other States. In those days in the past, when India was a great and powerful country, her ambition outside was limited to carrying the torch of civilisation or preaching the precious gospel of Buddha so far afield as Djawa, Cochin-China or Tibet. India was then the Light of Asia, but never at any time coveted her neighbours' possessions.

But ever since she became a slave dependency of the British Crown, her vast material resources and abundant manpower have been constant sources of temptation to John Bull to embark on imperialist wars. It was because of their grip on India that the British waged their opium wars in China and took Hongkong and provoked Burma into hostilities and annexed that country to the British Empire. It was the late Lord Curzon who once said, "India has throughout provided the inexhaustible reservoir for Britain, alike of material and of human resources, not only for its own conquest but for the whole policy of Asiatic expansion."

The role of unhappy India for the last one century at least has been that of a pawn in British world policy. At this very moment, India's sons are getting maimed and killed by the thousand in France, in Belgium, in Italy, in Greece, to say nothing of the Asiatic warfront. As long as the British keep India under their yoke, they will go on dragooning the flower of our manhood into their wars, besides robbing our people of their necessities, like food and clothing, for the same unholy cause.

Our land therefore must be free, absolutely free for two supreme reasons—for our own good and for the good of the world. Our poverty-stricken masses are today in the grip of an ever more abject poverty and destitution, and this growing disease urgently and insistently demands a radical remedy. The problem of achieving national independence has become an urgent one, for only independence can give us the power to solve our economic, cultural and social problems. At the same time, this independence which will be of such immense significance to us Indians will be a priceless blessing to humanity, for that will be a decisive contribution to the peace and stability of the world.

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Malai's Ready And Generous Response To Netaji

Enemy In Utter Desperation In Pacific Theatre

Anxious To Bring About Early Termination Of Philippine Battle

Tokyo, Jan. 5 (Domei)—Impatient over the prolonged stiff fighting in the Philippines and in an attempt to bring about a quick decision there, a strong enemy task force on the morning of January 3 appeared in waters adjacent to Taiwan and Okinawa Islands, and on the following day about 400 planes with carrier-borne aircraft as their mainstay raided the Taiwan and Okinawa areas from about 8 a.m. to 2.20 p.m. However, immediately engaged in fierce battle by our strong air defence forces, the raiders sustained the loss of five planes shot down and another damaged. Almost no damage was caused to our side.

This re-appearance of an enemy task force at the scene of his first debacle, in which his 58th Task Force was destroyed, can only be interpreted as the enemy's diversionary movement in connection with the Philippines operations and, at the same time, an attempt to cut off our supply of aircraft to the Philippines.

Due to the stiff fighting put up by our combined army and navy forces, the enemy's hopes for a short decisive operation in the Philippines battle have been shattered and his campaign has gradually taken the form of a huge, intricate and long drawn-out war of attrition.

On the other hand with the new trend on the European war front created with the beginning of von Rundstedt's offensive, the enemy's impatience to force a swift decision in the Philippines operations with a continuous series of reckless operations has become more pronounced. The present sally of the enemy's task force is thus a clear manifestation of the anxiety prevalent in the enemy's tactical headquarters for a short term decisive war.

There are indications that the enemy task force is still cruising in the vicinity of Taiwan following the raids on January 4.

Taihoku, January 4 (Domei)—The Headquarters of the Taiwan Army at 3.05 o'clock this afternoon announced: "About 400 enemy planes with carrier-based aircraft as their mainstay from about 8.00 a.m. today conducted a series of air raids against various points on the Taiwan Island and Okinawa Islands. The enemy planes withdrew to the eastern waters one after another by 2.20 p.m."

OVER 10 MILLION DOLLARS DONATED IN THREE WEEKS' WHIRLWIND MALAI TOUR

New Year Gift To India Freedom War Great Enthusiasm Among Indians

Reflecting the tremendous enthusiasm and the high morale of Syonan and Malai Indians in the Indian freedom fight, collections amounting to over one crore (10 millions) of dollars have been realized from the Indians of Malai during Netaji's three-week tour of the important centres of Malai, it is understood.

Six million dollars of this amount were received as donations while the balance of four million dollars were received in the form of a New Year Gift.

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, who returned to Syonan after a visit to Sumatra yesterday morning met the Indian merchants of Malai at 4.30 in the evening at the premises of the local Chapter of the Indian Independence League. Netaji was greeted with ovations on his arrival.

Addressing them, Netaji pointed out that the war has reached its final stage and told them that Indians in East Asia should not lag behind in contributing their all towards the successful conclusion of the war of Indian independence. He said that the present war which is being waged in Burma is our own war and Indians will have to spill their blood to obtain their priceless liberty. The responsibility is on the shoulders of Indians in East Asia. Whatever happens this war has got to be fought to a successful conclusion.

Pointing out that it was Syonan which gave birth to the Indian National Army (Azad Hind Fauj) and the Provisional Government of Azad Hind, Netaji said he was quite confident Indians in Syonan will prove worthy citizens of that Government and will give everything in their power to see that the Army of Liberation is backed until the tri-colour flag is hoisted on the Red Fortress of Delhi.

He added that even if the three million Indians in East Asia became fakirs in our cause, it would not be too much. India has been a down-trodden country for the last two hundred years and it is up to us Indians in East Asia to see that our Mother country is freed from the shackles that bind her. A



golden opportunity such as this must never be missed, declared Netaji.

The year 1945 has ushered in the final stage of the war. Germany has started her counter-offensive. The naval battles off Philippines and Formosa have shaken the very foundations of the Anglo-American empire. Let us this day renew our pledge to do everything in our power to bring this war to a successful conclusion. What is wanted is Total Mobilisation! During my recent tour of Nippon, I had the opportunity to see with my own eyes how that country has embraced that slogan of Total Mobilisation to the fullest extent. Even the school children are contributing their share to the success of the war production.

Netaji appealed to them saying that he was not asking from them too much. "Give everything for the sake of India. India is not like other countries. She has got her own tradition.

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Enemy Pacific Fleet Gets One More Mauling

One Aircraft Carrier & Two Battleships Sunk In Panay Waters

Tokyo, January 5 (Domei)—Intrepid airmen of the Nippon Special Attack Corps yesterday evening accounted for one enemy aircraft-carrier and two battleships or cruisers instantaneously sunk in waters west of Panay Island yesterday afternoon, Dai Honyei announced in a communique released at 4.30 p.m. today. Meanwhile other units of the Nippon air force are continuing to pound enemy air-dromes at San Jose, Mindoro Island, as well as at Leyte Island, according to the communique, which revealed that good war results are being scored by these air units.

The communique further disclosed that Nippon forces in Sumatra bagged 28 enemy aircraft out of approximately 80 carrier-based enemy planes which attacked the northern part of the island yesterday morning.

The communique reads: "Firstly, a group of enemy transports entered San Jose Bay, Mindoro Island early on the morning of Jan. 4 while the same afternoon an enemy task force appeared in waters west of Panay Island. Three planes of the Issei air unit of our Special Attack Corps with fighter escort attacked this enemy task force and instantaneously sank one aircraft-carrier, and two battleships or cruisers. One of our escorting fighters self-blasted against an enemy objective, while two others have not yet returned to their base.

"Secondly, our air units keeping up attacks against enemy airfields at San Jose and Leyte Island, scored the following war results in the period from the night of Jan. 2 to pre-dawn on Jan. 4. At San Jose: Set ablaze 17 points and caused explosions at two others. At Leyte Island: Set ablaze 11 points and caused heavy explosions at two others. Eight of our planes have not yet returned to their base.

"Thirdly, an enemy task force appeared in waters north-west of Sumatra Island on the morning of Jan. 4 and with about 80 carrier-borne planes attacked the northern part of the island. War results scored by our forces in interception against these enemy planes which have been ascertained up to the evening of the same day are 26 enemy aircraft shot down.

Damage sustained by our side was very slight."

NEW YEAR GIFT TO INDIA FUND OPENED!

*Indians! Contribute Liberally For
Your Freedom Fight Without Delay!*

Konan Saiken 19th Issue Draw Results

The draw for the 19th issue of the Konan Saiken (Government lottery) was held at the Kokaido here yesterday in the presence of a large gathering of members of all communities.

The following are the results of the draw:

1st PRIZE—\$50,000 No. 415565.

Consolation Prizes—2 Tickets of \$1,000 each: Nos. 415564 and 415566.

2nd PRIZE—\$20,000 No. 394662.

3rd PRIZE—3 Tickets of \$10,000 each: Nos. 448148, 221344, 570172.

4th PRIZE—3 Tickets of \$5,000 each: Nos. 393051, 583219, 375162.

5th PRIZE—8 Tickets of \$1,000 each: 534257, 111821, 239810, 303967, 507350, 318793, 340315, 557078.

6th PRIZE—20 Tickets of \$500 each: 384035, 575099, 300658, 579535, 577926, 473658, 437833, 426410, 381354, 434377, 496695, 572817, 222297, 531057, 291021, 113016, 102933, 399738, 486186, 122143.

7th PRIZE—200 Tickets of \$100 each:

367103	128724	138226	247371
253731	534390	178202	411765
126203	358799	562339	121764
436287	335229	314465	119596
108422	126456	255442	330247
591400	234645	133883	405805
543836	166083	143939	544856
587140	298255	335417	502996
140603	592997	217266	546014
398166	388520	482343	386955
301045	421230	576390	254629
380363	467137	445173	157701
237616	471258	147042	212347
223628	213659	521232	451655
397392	273535	151881	292524
142571	591690	119276	145090
425869	144072	250817	408568
370476	466329	425959	506387
419396	546202	303201	322933
472402	403708	554981	319780
114763	156795	300750	448963
475033	329275	536451	379128
581509	290337	200021	228584
385646	459643	324786	316144
542276	263470	304035	249028
510392	591655	566876	474139
515722	267039	124348	365149
153351	346634	476845	530366
523807	529039	266976	308378
346917	484540	553336	215271
267328	518913	275678	184661
253886	421372	528971	301848
286838	139556	436138	177355
334927	326668	409349	556541
340597	198104	597548	500065
115098	545488	167441	395891
533847	269035	342460	406185
296216	470272	269256	434581
171845	398527	282981	279369
388535	262347	121603	379002
377797	573681	238088	170059
297146	300295	305328	531270
431779	246414	528974	510100
461633	508755	577656	479921
315958	107370	141082	578437
585024	368363	295322	572741
144051	194136	542902	598424
437170	350499	195338	155433
101686	443301	575210	371188
155361	552802	233350	443848

8th PRIZE—1,500 Tickets of \$50 each:—All tickets ending in the following three digits: 344, 640, 396.

9th Prize—2,000 Tickets of \$10 each:—All tickets ending in the following three digits:—552, 650, 551, 407.

10th Prize—50,000 tickets of \$1 each:—All tickets ending in the following digit:—6.

Netaji Bose Visits Medan; Duty Of Indians Stressed

Medan, Jan. 4 (Domei)—

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind and Supreme Commander of the Azad Hind Fauj, arrived at the local airfield shortly before noon today accompanied by Lieut. Colonel S. C. Alagappan, Minister of Supplies, Lieut. Colonel G. Q. Gilani, Secretary, I.L.L. Overseas Department, and others.

Following an exchange of greetings with the proxy of the Nippon Commander, the Governor of East Coast Province, head of the Sumatra branch of the I.L.L. and many dignitaries, the party proceeded to the League branch premises where various activities of the Indian community in the island were explained to Netaji.

Later, they visited the Nippon Commander at his official residence and had luncheon with him.

At 2.30 p.m. Netaji attended a conference held by representatives of the League from various parts of Sumatra at the local branch headquarters.

In the evening, he addressed a big rally of Indians, Indonesians and Chinese who assembled in front of the municipal plaza from 6.00 p.m., soliciting further aid to the great cause for which Indians are fighting today and stressing amity and co-operation between Indians and Indonesians.

Over 2 Million For Ind. Freedom Fight

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She has led the world when the foreigners could not even boast of a civilisation as such."

He added that he would worship with his two hands those who come forward to sacrifice everything for the sake of their Mother country. At the same time he warned them that he knew how to get money from those who are not coming forward. The present war on the Burma frontier is being waged by our own army and it is for you to see that they are supplied with everything, so that they could carry on the fight. Let me be in a position to proclaim to the world (said Netaji) that the East Asia Indians have sacrificed their all for the sake of their Mother country. Our Government has been recognised by all the freedom-loving nations of the world, and it is for us to keep up that status.

Netaji, concluding, said he was quite confident that East Asia Indians will not lag behind

Foe Forces Now On Defensive In Bastogne Sector

Lisbon, Jan. 4 (Domei)—The

focal point of fighting on the Western Front continued to lie during the past 24 hours on the south flank of the German penetration area. Although the battle around Bastogne overshadowed everything else, fighting was also livelier in other sectors, from the Netherlands to the Vosges, frontline dispatches to Berlin said.

The German High Command communique said the enemy launched a large-scale attack in Belgium between Stavelot and Marche from the north yesterday in an attempt to relieve his heavily fighting formations at Bastogne, where German divisions drove the enemy on the defensive and inflicted great losses. Despite rushing troops from the neighbouring sectors, the enemy failed to check the German attack columns advancing east of Saareguemines and in the Lower Vosges. The Palatinate-Alsace corner and the region west of Wisembourg were cleansed of the enemy.

Long-range shelling of Liege and Antwerp continued to harass enemy supplies, the communique added.

In Hungary the Soviets attacked Budapest by day and night, especially from the east. However, these attacks were repelled in fierce fighting. In the eastern quarter of Budapest which is predominantly industrial, German and Hungarian troops were fighting effectively from factory buildings, frontline dispatches to Berlin said.

In Italy the British Eighth Army in Romagna launched several large-scale attacks behind the German forces. Heavy fighting with the enemy who penetrated into German positions in one sector is still progressing, the German communique said.

Puppet Belgian Regime Premier Goes Abegging

Lisbon, January 4 (Domei)—Hubert Pierlot, Premier of the anti-Axis sponsored Belgian regime, arrived in London from Brussels yesterday apparently with the object to plead for more anti-Axis food supplies in order to alleviate the crucial food shortage in Belgium, according to a London dispatch.

when they are called upon to do their duty towards their Mother country.

Netaji then inaugurated a special fund called the New Year Fund, as a special gift to the cause of India's Independence. This is a New Year Gift and has nothing to do with assessment payments, pointed out Netaji.

PROGRAMME

For

MASS RALLY, TOMORROW

- 5.00 p.m. National Songs.
- 5.15 p.m. His Excellency Netaji arrives. Unfurling the National Flag. National Anthem. Inspection of the Guard of Honour. Garlanding by the Chairman, Syonan Branch.
- 5.20 p.m. His Excellency Netaji addresses in Hindustani. Translation in Tamil. National Anthem.

1,000-Yen To Mothers Of "Kamikaze" Heroes

Tokyo, Jan. 5 (Domei)—An Indian maiden yesterday appeared at the offices of the Mainichi Shimbun and presented a sum of Yen 1,000 with a letter.

She was none other than the daughter of A. M. Sahay, Chief Secretary of the Provisional Government of Azad Hind.

The accompanying letter written by her aged mother, who is now residing in Tokyo, explained that her mother was deeply stirred by the accounts of Nippon youths going out one after another to meet gallant death in their body crash attacks. Humbly confessing her inability to be of any service, she expressed the wish that the sum enclosed in the letter be presented to the surviving mothers of the "Kamikaze" heroes.

Opening Ceremony Of New Dormitory For Boys

A new dormitory at 179 Bartley Road (Off Biddadari Camp) will be declared open by H.E. Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose on Monday 8th January, 2605, at 6 p.m.

The President, Ramakrishna Mission, Syonan, looks forward to the pleasure of the company of all well-wishers and supporters of such a humanitarian cause, on this occasion.

US Manpower Shortage Reaches Acute Stage

Lisbon, January 4 (Domei)—Reflecting the serious manpower shortage in the United States a Washington dispatch revealed that the White House has directed the Selective Service to draft deferred farmworkers from 18 to 25 years to the full extent permitted by law.

Meanwhile, James F. Byrnes, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, called on Major-General Lewis B. Hershey to take the necessary steps "because of representations made to me by the army and navy that they must have men".

Dispatches from Chicago quoted the official spokesman as saying that war plants in Chicago face a shortage of 55,000 workers. The spokesman added that war plants are behind by two and a half billion dollars in army and navy contracts. Washington observers meanwhile are betting that the first big problem the 79th Congress will have to handle is going to be manpower.

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